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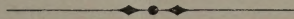
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# REPORT TOWN TREASURER.

*Frank W. Preston, Treasurer, in account  
with the Town of New Ipswich, Dr.*

To cash rec'd from last year	\$3,020 58
“ “ “ “ collector for 1890	1,000 00
“ “ “ “ “ “ 1891	7,964 38
“ “ “ “ savings bank tax	1,124 31
“ “ “ “ literary fund	198 75
“ “ “ “ town clerk, net dog licenses	191 62
“ “ “ “ insurance dividend	6 87
“ “ “ “ county, for paupers	388 38
“ “ “ “ “ police expenses	
refunded	12 70
To cash rec'd from F. W. Prichard, pauper expenses refunded	177 83
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	\$14,091 42

*Cr. as follows:*

By paying state tax	\$1,405 00
“ “ county tax	1,019 55
“ “ town orders	7,160 86
“ cash on hand	4,506 01
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	\$14,091 42

FRANK W. PRESTON, Treasurer.



## REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

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### *Amount of Polls and Property Taxed.*

No. of polls, 226	value	\$22,600 00
horses, 227	"	14,398 00
oxen, 45	"	1,600 00
cows, 442	"	10,484 00
neat stock, 72	"	1,052 00
sheep, 23	"	88 00
fowls, 1,100	"	440 00
carriages, 13	"	1,116 00
Stock in trade		13,434 00
Mills		106,150 00
Money		2,428 00
Land and buildings		378,829 00
		\$552,619 00

### *Appropriations for 1891.*

Highways	\$1,500 00
Schools	1,500 00
Incidentals	3,000 00
Decoration	70 00
Cemetery	200 00

State tax	\$1,405 00
County tax	1,019 55
Excess	153 83
Dog tax	116 00
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Amount committed to collector	\$8,964 38
Rate per cent. on \$1,000, \$16.00.	

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## TOWN EXPENDITURES.

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### *Breaking Roads.*

Otis Parmenter	\$9 20
Guy C. Blanchard	23 40
B. F. Wilkinson	27 02
Amos Shattuck	4 70
J. Silver	105 60
W. G. Wetherbee	11 90
Thomas Wilson	37 95
Charles Wheeler	36 70
Stephen Wheeler	10 40
C. F. Lougee	67 40
C. A. Hurd	6 40
J. A. Wheeler	33 75
John Barnett	71 30
A. J. Spaulding	25 80
Henry S. Davis	36 50
George H. Brooks	13 25
John Parmenter	2 20
J. S. Taylor	18 65
C. P. Nutting	4 87

F. W. Prichard	\$35 20
A. C. Wheeler	31 10
Cheshire Improvement Co.	61 20
W. T. Bucknam	25 10
W. H. Wilson	10 20
C. C. Miller	2 40
J. B. Emery	5 00
Geo. S. Wheeler	19 78
Wm. Wheeler	69 00
A. A. Hill	4 75
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	\$810 72

*Damage.*

Geo. M. Tenney	\$7 00
F. F. Reed	10 00
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	\$17 00

*Repairing Roads.*

J. Silver & Son, in 1890	\$30 13
A. J. Spalding	6 30
Geo. Tylor & Co., machine repairs	8 60
F. W. Prichard, District No. 20	64 90
“ “ “ machine repairs	3 25
“ “ “ Bennie hill	46 40
“ “ “ Lowell hill	19 00
“ “ “ lumber	5 10
Geo. S. Wheeler	22 00
A. A. Hill	13 30
John Barnett	48 00
M. M. Balch	30 21
W. T. Bucknam	90 20
E. H. Frederick	5 50



Guy C. Blanchard	\$32 65
J. A. Wheeler	76 25
C. F. Lougee	30 30
Thomas Wilson	44 70
J. Silver & Son	102 36
Simon Rolf	14 40
B. F. Wilkinson	37 65
F. W. Prichard, Carr road	24 00
J. S. Taylor	105 45
F. W. Prichard, Preston bridge	71 20
H. W. Whitney	85 40
Charles Wheeler	44 10
I. H. Greene	5 00
Chas. M. Wheeler	51 00
Oliver Tenney	45 50
E. F. Blanchard	33 95
J. B. Emery	7 70
Geo. H. Brooks	23 05
S. W. Wheeler	12 25
Geo. H. Lougee	3 50
William Wheeler	26 00
D. L. Burton, rent for machine	4 00
A. A. Woodward, repairs	95
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	\$1,274 25

*Births and Deaths.*

J. E. F. Marsh Jr., recording	\$10 65
F. W. Jones M. D., returning	1 75
C. A. Wood M. D.,     “	8 25
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	\$20 65

*Street Lamps.*

D. D. Wheeler, lighting and repairing	\$50 28
C. L. Wilson, " " "	65 05
H. J. Moore, " " " and oil	41 33
A. Balch, " " "	3 30
F. Hardy, " " "	9 90
C. R. Fletcher, repairing	75
E. R. Wheeler, lighting	13 06
W. L. Phelps, supplies	43 93
J. H. Fay, lamp and post	4 00
Wheeler Reflector Co.	17 40
Freight	25
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	\$249 25

*Schools.*

C. A. Preston	\$1,779 84
" " " supplies	42 15
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	\$1,821 99

*Town Officers.*

F. W. Prichard, selectman from Feb. 14 to March	\$9 75
C. L. Robbins, " " " " " "	10 25
W. T. Bucknam, " " " " " "	9 75
F. W. Prichard, time and expense to settle with county	5 00
C. L. Tarbell, supervisors	15 00
J. E. F. Marsh Jr., town clerk	30 00
H. J. Moore, truant officer	75
A. C. Wheeler, " " " " " "	4 50
H. J. Moore, dog officer	1 00
F. W. Preston, treasurer	35 00
John Preston, auditors	10 00

F. W. Prichard, selectman	\$62 00
" " " overseer of the poor	10 00
M. M. Balch, selectman	53 75
" " " overseer of the poor	10 00
Oliver Tenney, selectman	62 75
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	\$326 50

*Ringing Bell.*

G. H. Hardy	\$50 00
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*Collector 1891.*

W. R. Thompson	\$140 00
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*Cemetery.*

Geo. Fox, mowing	\$20 00
W. L. Phelps, nails	1 65
I. H. Greene, work	3 50
Charles Taylor "	7 00
F. W. Prichard	74 07
M. M. Balch	21 87
Oliver Tenney	65 62
John A. Fletcher	6 13
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	\$199 84

*Fire Department.*

E. O. Marshall, for fire companies	\$299 34
J. C. Chandler	12 00
W. L. Phelps	81
Henry Royce	50
J. Silver & Son	50
E. O. Marshall, chief	5 00
C. E. Hall, supplies	2 68
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	\$320 83



*Cattle Disease.*

W. T. Russell, vet. surgeon	\$12 25
Oliver Tenney, appraising cattle	1 50
J. A. Wheeler " "	1 50
F. H. Arnold, Jr., " "	1 50
F. W. Prichard, time and expense	6 00
C. L. Robbins " " "	4 50
W. T. Bucknam, " " "	6 50
L. H. Hodgman, cattle	2 00
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	\$35 75

*Water Tubs.*

C. M. Wheeler	\$3 00
Emerly Russell	3 00
Alfred Taylor	3 00
A. A. Hill	2 00
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	\$11 00

*Printing and Stationery.*

F. H. Merriam, reports and stationery	\$52 75
Collector's book	97
J. E. F. Marsh Jr., postage	35
F. W. Prichard, "	2 50
Treasurer's book	90
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	\$57 47

*Ministerial Fund Interest.*

James Bolton	\$26 31
W. H. Wilson	26 30
J. E. F. Marsh	26 30
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	\$78 91.

*Decoration Day.*

C. H. Balcom	\$70 00
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*Interest.*

N. I. Savings Bank	\$462 00
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*Insurance.*

F. W. Preston	\$21 75
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*Police.*

H. J. Moore	\$12 70
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Frank McLaughlin	5 00
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F. W. Prichard	5 00
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" " " expense	2 00
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	\$24 70
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Cr. by cash from county	12 70
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Net expense	\$12 00
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Wood for selectmen's office	\$4 50
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E. H. Wason, advice	\$2 00
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Tramps	\$0 31
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*Abatement.*

E. Jeffries, error	\$2 40
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James Farrar	7 20
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Mrs. Rachel Parmenter	9 20
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Mrs. Oliver Barrett	8 00
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M. C. Bragg	1 60
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M. G. Bagley	1 60
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W. Coleman, dog	1 00
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A. Caouette, too young	1 60
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F. Green, left town	1 60
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Amos Shattuck	1 60
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J. Duval, dog	\$1 00
Geo. Jowders, paid in Rindge	4 00
Geo. Jaquith, over tax	4 00
Frank Kendall, " "	80
William Rolf, dog	1 00
E. Duval, poor	1 60
Le Vill, left town	1 60
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	\$49 80

*Recapitulation.*

Paid repairing roads	\$1,274 25
breaking roads	810 72
births and deaths	20 65
damages	17 00
paupers	1,112 95
street lamps	249 25
schools	1,821 99
town officers	326 50
ringing bell	50 00
collector for 1891	140 00
cattle disease	35 75
watering tubs	11 00
printing and stationery	57 47
interest on ministerial fund	78 91
Decoration Day	70 00
interest	462 00
insurance	21 75
police	24 70
wood, for office	4 00
counsel	2 00
cemetery	199 84



Paid fire department	\$320 83
tramps	31
abatements	49 80
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	\$7,161 67

The legacy of Mrs. Betsey S. Smith, for care of cemeteries, was deposited in the savings bank and the dividends that are unexpended amount to \$146.60.

FRANCIS W. PRICHARD,  
MOSES M. BALCH,  
OLIVER TENNEY,

Selectmen of New Ipswich,

## Report of the Overseers of the Poor.

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Laura Wetherbee, care of Calvin Blood and wife	\$252 02	
W. T. Bucknam, wood	5 25	
Mrs. A. Blood, making pants Mr. Blood	1 00	
White Brothers, cloth Mrs. Blood	56	
C. H. Hartshorn, pant cloth Mr. Blood	4 00	
J. Silver & Co., wood	7 50	
	<hr/>	\$270 33
Helen Ramsdell, care of Mrs. Oliver Barrett	\$133 57	
F. W. Prichard, for expenses	7 00	
Wm. Sawtell, casket and robe	16 00	
Nurses	5 00	
F. W. Jones, medical attendance	3 00	
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H. L. Kingsbury, clothes for James Fletcher	\$10 25	
Mary C. Shattuck, care of J. Fletcher	131 00	
F. W. Jones, medical care	13 00	
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M. E. Balcom, care of Mrs. Keay		4 00
J. S. Taylor, E. Duval	\$6 30	
F. W. Prichard, wood	4 00	
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John Whitney, care of E. Nutting	\$44 74	
C. P. Nutting, " " " "	35 00	
L. P. Gay, nurse	3 00	
Wm. Sawtell, casket and robe	14 00	
Geo. Fox, for burial of E. Nutting	3 50	
F. W. Jones, medical attendance	11 65	
	<hr/>	\$111 89
Stephen Wheeler, wood, Miss Hayden	26 50	
J. Silver & Son, goods	6 56	
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O. H. Perry, care of T. H. Perry		52 00
Mrs. Rachel Parmenter, care, provisions and funeral expenses		77 83
N. H. Asylum, Amos Shattuck	\$113 72	
Expense to Concord	14 50	
" " Hollis and Nashua	9 00	
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George Rolf		92 50
David McKillett		5 00
	<hr/>	\$1,112 95
Rec'd from county Sept. 26, 1891	\$204 00	
Due " " Feb. 22, 1892	228 62	
Rec'd " Parmenter estate	77 83	
" " Trust Co., Amos Shattuck	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$610 45
Net cost Feb. 22, 1892		\$502 50

FRANCIS W. PRICHARD,  
MOSES M. BALCH,  
OLIVER TENNEY,

Overseers of the Poor.



## REPORT OF THE AUDITORS.

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The auditors appointed by the town to settle with the selectmen and treasurer have attended to their duty and submit the following report.

They find the accounts of the selectmen and treasurer properly vouched and correctly cast.

The expenses of the town have been as follows :

To paying state tax	\$1,405 00
“ county tax	1,019 55
“ for paupers	1,112 95
“ breaking roads	810 72
“ repairing “	1,274 25
“ street lamps	249 25
“ fire department	320 33
“ schools and committees	1,821 99
“ town officers	368 20
“ collection of taxes	140 00
“ abatement of “	49 80
“ cemeteries	199 84
“ ringing bell	50 00

To paying for printing and stationery	\$57 47
“ interest	462 00
“ Decoration Day	70 00
“ recording births and deaths	20 65
“ interest on ministerial fund	78 91
“ examination of cattle	18 75
“ insurance	21 75
“ watering tubs	11 00
“ damages	17 00
“ law expenses	2 00
“ wood	4 50
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	\$9,585 41

## THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN

IS AS FOLLOWS :

Cash in hands of treasurer	\$4,506 01
Due from collector for 1891	1,000 00
Net debt	2,193 99
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	\$7,700 00

The liabilities of the town are as follows :

Town notes	\$7,700 00
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The town has as other liabilities the payment of the annual interest on the ministerial fund, which fund amounts to \$1,315.68, also payment of the annual interest on the school fund, which fund amounts to \$1,351.62.

We recommend that the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) be raised for the incidental expenses of the town for the current year.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN PRESTON,  
JOSEPH A. WHEELER,  
CHARLES L. TARBELL,

Auditors.

New Ipswich, Feb. 20, 1892.



## VITAL STATISTICS.

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In compliance with the laws of this state, requiring clerks of cities and towns to furnish a transcript of the record of marriages, births and deaths for publication in the annual report, I herewith respectfully submit the following report of this town for the year ending December 31st, 1891, which to the best of my knowledge is correct.

J. E. F. MARSH JR., Town Clerk.

## Marriages Registered in the Town of New

Date	Place of Marriage	Name of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age	Occupation
Jan. 21	Town	*Charles S. Brown	Town	46	Gentleman
		*Ruth Miller	Temple	39	Lady
May 1	Greenville	C. Fred Jowders	Town	32	Farmer
		Sarah E. Forbush	Greenville	18	
Apr. 25	Town	Charles B. Colburn	Fitchburg, Mass.	21	Electrician
		Mary C. Borden	“ “	19	
May 11	“	Frederic Preston	Town	28	Merchant
		Lena Brooks	“	29	
“ 25	Greenville	*A. H. Willard Jr.	“	41	Painter
		Alice C. Blood	“	20	
Aug. 24	“	Alphonse Belle Tête	“	22	Mill Operative
		Almina Caouette	“	17	
Oct. 28	Town	Fred J. Davis	Northford, Vt.	25	Granite Mfr.
		E. Goldie Balcom	Town	20	
Dec. 25	“	Charles C. Carter	Winchendon, Mass.	29	Lumber
		Mary White	Town	25	

\*Second Marriage.

**Ipswich, for the year ending Dec. 31, 1891.**

Birthplace	Names of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	By whom mar- ried
Boston, Mass.	Charles Brown Susan	Gardner, Mass.	G. F. Merriam,
Dorchester, Mass.	Ephraim T. Miller Catherine Seymour	Gloucester, " Lincoln, " England	Clerg., Greenville
Lynn, Mass.	Alex Jowders Annie M.		"
Greenville	James C. Furbush Rebecca Osborn		
Fitchburg, Mass.	Henry J. Colburn Eliza A.		W.R. Thompson,
" "	John Borden Harriet		Clerg., Town
New Ipswich	William A. Preston M. M. Granger		G. F. Merriam,
" "	Fred A. Brooks Helen M. Mansur		Clerg., Greenville
" "	A. H. Willard	Harvard, Mass.	"
" "	S. Dana Blood Jennie Withington	Groton, Mass.	"
Canada	Calixte Belle Tête Margaret Fredette	Canada	O. J. Desrosiers,
"	Francis Caouette Apoline Fredette	"	Priest, Greenville
N. B.	Peter Davis Sarah	N. B.	E. Sanderson,
Fitchburg, Mass.	Charles H. Balcom Margaret E.	" "	Clerg., Greenville
Winchendon, "	David A. Carter Mary A.		W.R. Thompson,
New Ipswich	William M. White Mary Emery		Clerg., Town

## Births Registered in the Town of New

Date	Name of Child	Sex	No. of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Jan. 5	Agnes O.	F	3	Ernest G. Wilson	Anna M. Murphy
" 7		M	4	Herbert M. Whitney	Ella M. Atwood
" 14	Alfred Joseph	"	1	Alfred J. Caouette	Eliza E. Flower
" 24	Wilbur J.	"	1	Leander Davis	Alice M. Davis
" 31		F	7	James Miner	Esther A. Brean
Feb. 17		M	3	Joseph Chrétien	Virginie Lavertue
" 22		F	3	Gardner F. Robbins	Emma L. Wood
Mar. 5	Frank L.	M	2	Charles L. Russell	Eliza A. Davis
June 22	Joseph David	"	3	David Duval	Joséphine Duval
July 7	Maria C. R.	F	1	Onésime Moreau	Clara Ouellette
" 10		"	5	Arthur Fournier	Adèle Bruneau
" 23		"	1	Frank Bruneau	Carrie Nault
" 30	Joseph E.	M	14	Pierre Beausoliel	Lea Bobillard
Aug. 4		F	14	Joseph Brean	Alice Brockney
" 4	Joseph A.	M	*1	Esdras Duval	Delphine Fortin
" 4	Joseph Amede	"	*2	Esdras Duval	Delphine Fortin
" 10	Ovide	"	4	Ovide Lamontagne	Emélie Baillargeon
Sept. 21	Edith Mary	F	10	S. Dana Blood	Jennie Withington
" 24	(Stillborn)	"	4	Harry J. Moore	Ella F. Jackson
Oct. 8		M	12	William E. Maxwell	Jennie L. Hildreth
" 21	Emilie	F	6	Esdras Duval	Emma Picard
Nov. 7	Mildred E.	"	1	Frederic A. Hastings	Genevieve Webber
Dec. 6	Emilie L.	M	1	Emile Fournier	Clara Gagnon
" 11	Marie Louise	F	3	Louis Fortin	Denise Thibothote
" 22	Joseph Onne	M	3	Antoine Chouinard	Georgina Duval

\*Twins.



**Ipswich, for the year ending Dec. 31, 1891.**

Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
Butcher	Gardner, Mass.	Town
Farmer	Ashburnham, Mass.	Nelson
Laborer	Manchester, N. H.	Whitehall, N. Y.
Farmer	Mason, " "	Ashby, Mass.
Laborer	Chesterfield, N. Y.	Chesterfield, N. Y.
Mill Operative	Maine	P. Q.
Farmer	Boston, Mass.	Cambridge, Mass.
"	Town	Town
Mill Operative		
" "	Canada	St. Roc
" "	"	Canada
Clerk	Town	"
Laborer	St. Elizabeth	"
"	Chesterfield, N. Y.	"
Mill Operative	St. Roc	"
" "	"	"
" "	St. Didace	"
Mason	Groton, Mass.	Winchester
Shoemaker	Ticonderoga, N. Y.	Brandon, Vt.
Carpenter	Woburn, Mass.	Town
Mill Operative	St. Jean Port Jolie	St. Jean Port Jolie
Hotel Clerk	Town	Town
Laborer	St. Jean Port Jolie	West Gardner, Mass.
"	" " " "	St. Roc
Mill Operative	" " " "	St. Jean Port Jolie

## Deaths Registered in the Town of New

Date	Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Age		
			Years	Months	Days
Dec'r 19, '90	Cummington, Mass.	Almond Packard	77	4	25
January 9	Town	Sarah Newton	74		
" 26	"	Mary L. Taylor	75	11	4
February 21	Somerville, Mass.	Minnie M. Taylor		2	10 2
March 2	Town	Arthur B. Spalding	63	10	24
" 7	Springfield, Mass.	Lucinda S. Edwards	85		
" 24	Town	Austin A. Bradford	70	4	
April 30	"	Eliza W. Cowdrey	65	11	
May 6	"	James M. Bennett	81		
June 6	"	Lucy M. Fish	70		9
" 19	"	Rachel Parmenter	65		
" "	"	Ezekiel Nutting	79		
July 1	Winchendon, Mass.	Marian A. Willard	2		
August 9	Town	Joseph H. Duval			5
" 15	"	Joseph A. Duval			11
" 19	"	Wilbur J. Davis			4 26
" 26	"	Peter H. Clark	74	8	
September 6	"	Emma Julliette		1	1
" 24	"	Infant			
" 29	"	Eliza Spear	86	3	11
October 22	"	Emile Duval			1
" 26	"	L. Adelard Chouinard	1	5	3
Nov'mber 27	Sharon	Nathan W. Worcester	65	3	23
December 29	Town	Infant			
Dec. 27, '88	(Reported by Rev. O. J. Desrosiers as buried in the Catholic Cemetery.)	Armide Bellanger	12		6
January 6		Honoré Beausoliel	1	2	8
February 16		Herbert Tayan	2	2	14
April 18		Benjamin Bellanger	72		
" "		Rose Langevin		2	6
June 17		Frank Hall	31		
July 24		Emile Lemay	1	3	
August 5		Joseph S. Arton		9	11
" 9		Marie A. L. Moreau			10
Sept. 10		Philomene Matton	54	3	8
" 23		Cornelius Bresnehan	52		
December 18		Constance R. Paquette	72	9	
" 22		Mary A. B. Santerre		10	5
" 24		Jullian Dancause			12

Ipswich, for the year ending Dec. 31, 1891.

Place of Birth.	Sex	*Condition	Occupation	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Bolton, Mass.	M				
Temple	F	S	House		
	"	M	"	Obadiah Perry	Louisa Piper
Gilsum	"	"	"		
	"	"			
Stockbridge, Vt.	M	"	Jeweller	Ebenezer Bradford	Polly Davis
Mason	F	"	House	William Wright	Nancy Flinn
	M	"	Painter		
Vermont	F	"	House	James Merriam	Abigail Cabot
Mason	"	"	"	Jonathan Russell	Elizabeth Blood
Groton, Mass.	M	"	Farmer	Ezekiel Nutting	Betsey Simonds
	F				
Town	M			Esdras Duval	Delphine Fortin
"	"			" "	" "
"	"			Leander Davis	Alice M. Davis
"	"	"	Gentleman	John Clark	Margaret Clark
"	F			Joseph Brillon	Alida Brocomer
"	"			Harry J. Moore	Ella T. Jackson
Maine	"	W		John Barker	Susan Bourne
Town	"			Esdras Duval	Emma Picard
"	"			Louis Chouinard	A. Baillargeon
	M	M	Farmer		
"	"			Edouard LeClerc	Julia Soulière

\*Single, Married or Widowed.







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REPORT  
OF THE  
SCHOOL \* BOARD  
—OF—  
NEW IPSWICH, N. H.

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# REPORT.

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*To the Citizens of New Ipswich:*

At the close of another school year it becomes our duty as well as pleasure to present to you a report in regard to the condition of our schools and their work during the past year.

Our uniform system has not differed from preceding years and we hope the citizens have followed the work of our schools and are themselves able to judge of the progress made as well as ourselves. There are some who rely principally on the school report to judge and form an opinion. To those let us frankly say that we shall endeavor to state the facts as they are or as we believe them to be. In reviewing the year it will be noticed that many of the teachers received their first experience, also that the changes were many. It has been mentioned in a previous report that "it is better to retain the same teacher through the year." This is true under ordinary circumstances; there are cases where it is not advisable. Suffice it to say that the Board have made changes where they deemed it advis-

able for those concerned. Other changes they have been compelled to make on account of the teachers' resigning.

Let us review the year by terms. At the first meeting of the Board it seemed best to place schools in the following localities: Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 11 and 12. It seemed best to begin the schools early so as to finish before the hot weather began. Accordingly the date was fixed at April 13th, with the exception of Nos. 4 and 5, which schools began one week later. The length of the term was ten weeks with the exception of No. 8, which was in session eleven weeks. The following corps of teachers was selected: No. 1, L. Maud Wanamaker; No. 2, Abbie L. Balch; No. 3, Henry G. Sargent; No. 4, Hattie A. Stiles; No. 5, Mabel L. Thayer; No. 8, Goldie E. Balcom; No. 11, Kate M. Bucknam; No. 12, Charles A. Preston. Arbor Day, which occurred during the term, was observed by all the schools and the children given a holiday, which many of them improved by cleaning up the school-yards, sowing flower seeds etc., being led in their work by their teacher. The trees set out in previous years around the school-houses are looking excellently well as a whole and are living, with one or two exceptions. Those who see the result of this work in future years will have reason to thank the pupils of to-day for the increased beauty and value of our school property.

The fall term began September 8th and continued ten weeks. Misses Thayer and Bucknam resigned to attend Normal school. They had taught for quite a length of time in our schools and had done good work which was appreciated. The following teachers were selected: No. 1, Abbie L. Balch; No. 2, Goldie E.



Balcom; No. 3, Henry G. Sargent; No. 4, Hattie A. Stiles; No. 5, Carrie E. Lowe, No. 8, Fannie M. Cox; No. 11, Mabel E. Savage; No. 12, Chas. A. Preston. During the fall term the whooping-cough made havoc in some of our schools, Nos. 11 and 12 suffering greatly from the effects of it. In the winter the "grippe" and chicken pox made their appearance and the registers bear witness that they made numerous visits to the school-room.

There was an intermission of two weeks between the fall and winter terms, the latter term beginning on November 30th and continuing ten weeks. Following is a list of the teachers: No. 1, Abbie L. Balch; No. 2, Henry G. Sargent; No. 3, Dora M. Taylor; No. 4, Hattie A. Stiles; No. 5, John S. Cummings; No. 11, Mabel E. Savage; No. 12, Charles A. Preston. No school was opened at No. 8, as a previous understanding existed which provided for a longer term in the spring. The location of No. 8 makes it very difficult for small scholars to attend school in the winter.

In providing for a school year of thirty weeks we have been obliged to do some close calculating, as our balance will show. It will be seen at a glance that it costs more to defray expenses for schools in a town like ours, where the population is scattered over such a large area and schools have to be located to accommodate only a few in a school. We congratulate those of our more remote schools that have increased in numbers during the past year, viz: Nos. 2, 3 and 8. The enthusiasm which numbers awaken can be obtained as effectually in no other way. It will be noticed that we have employed New Ipswich teachers to a very large extent and have not been disappointed with the result.

Thirteen different teachers have taught in our schools during the past year. Of this number Misses Balch, Lowe, Savage and Taylor and Messrs. Sargent and Cummings were new teachers. The remaining teachers, with the exception of Miss Cox had taught in our schools before.

In justice to all concerned it is the duty of the School Board, and all interested in educational work, to feel grateful for the well directed efforts which have been made by our teachers. There has been more or less trouble and complaint, brought about by various causes; sometimes through lack of tact in the teacher and sometimes by circumstances beyond the teacher's control. It is better to view others' short-comings with an eye of charity and ask ourselves if we should do any better were our positions reversed. One can but admire promptness and decision, even if misdirected, if persuaded that it is sincerely exercised through a sense of duty. As a rule the teacher should be sustained both by parents and Board of Education. There are exceptions here as well as in other rules.

A few suggestions to the teacher. When you enter your school take with you the support of One who will assist you and guide you in the intricate path which you have entered. You will need patience, perseverance and wisdom; how much you'll never know until you try it. Remember that you have much to learn. Bear in mind that your scholar has rights and that those rights must be respected. Command respect from your pupils by showing them respect. Set the example of punctuality before your pupils and encourage them to follow your example. In an important matter (and remember that a seemingly unimportant matter may be one of im-

portance to the pupil) do not pass it over lightly and decide hastily. Think it over carefully, ask advice if necessary, and when a decision is reached act fearlessly. Encourage in your pupils a respect for people older than themselves, especially aged people. Treat all parents with uniform courtesy and demand a return of the same. Do not forget that good discipline is absolutely necessary in order to have a successful school.

A few words to the parents. If there is one thing that should be encouraged above all others it is that the pupil should attend school regularly. The best results can be obtained in no other way. It seems hardly necessary to mention that which every one will see at a glance is true. At the same time we fear that parents often forget the importance of steady attendance at school. A glance at our school registers will reveal the fact that absent and dismissal marks occupy a very conspicuous place there. Of course it is taken for granted that many of them are caused by good reasons, still an effort should be made to let *only* good reasons keep the pupils away from school. If you have reason to think that the teacher is lacking in some directions do not tell your child so, but have a talk with the teacher and the chances are more than even that the difficulty can be adjusted to the satisfaction of those concerned. Much trouble and unhappiness is caused by a misunderstanding between the parties. Candidly now, what would you think of the teacher (or any one else, for that matter,) who never made a mistake? None of us are infallible and the one who never makes a mistake is the one who amounts to but little in this world.

In the education of the child parents and teacher should labor in unison. Let both endeavor to inculcate

a love for knowledge in the minds of the little ones. Never were the facilities better for procuring a good education than at the present time and never was a good education more needed. This is an age of progress and we must be up and doing if we desire to be at the front. All that the pupil formerly had to furnish is now loaned to him and the text-books used are the best that can be procured. Any one will readily see that a teacher labors under a disadvantage in mixed schools like ours, where the number of classes is greater than can be handled to the best advantage. It sometimes happens that in such cases small scholars are neglected. This should not be so. Encourage the little ones just beginning; teach them things outside of their books; assist them in forming letters and then in making words. It is surprising to see how quickly the little fingers will become expert in their new work and how a happy face and a sunny smile greets a word of praise from the teacher. The matter of reading should receive particular attention. Pupils often neglect this study and we fear that teachers sometimes forget that reading does not consist in simply repeating the words. The study of grammar should be encouraged in our schools; we fear that it is often neglected. When we remember that grammar teaches to speak and write correctly it certainly deserves a prominent place. We are well pleased with the books now in use, some of which were adopted since the free text-book system became a law.

We have endeavored to reduce the cost for books and school supplies to the lowest possible figure. The amount paid for general school supplies will be found in the Selectmen's report. By referring to the school report of last year it will be seen that a number of bills

for school supplies were paid by the School Board, while this year only a few have been paid, as our financial condition would not permit of its being done. We think that the number of pupils in our schools compares favorably with the previous year. While some schools have lost others have gained enough to make our numbers good. A number of scholars from High Bridge (No. 12) have attended the Parochial school at Greenville during the past year. The usual teachers' meeting has been held each term at No. 1 school-house. Lest any teacher feel that she has not received sufficient credit in this report, permit us to say that we mean much when we say that a school is satisfactory. We do not claim that we are near perfection and we hope the year before us will develop improvement in some of the essential qualities connected with the school-room.

The following pages will contain a statistical report with accurate information in regard to our schools, also the Treasurer's report. The names of all pupils who have been punctual in their attendance at school, during any term of the past year, will be found on the Roll of Honor. Some there are whose names will not appear on account of sickness, and to those we say: do not be discouraged, but try again. We would respectfully suggest that the school appropriation be increased to eighteen hundred dollars (\$1800) for the coming year. There are some repairs needed on several of the houses, which will be attended to in due time. The school text-books and apparatus are in good condition. The preservation of the same requires the special care of the teacher. In closing our report it gives us pleasure to publicly thank all those who, by their courtesy and cheerful compliance with



our laws, have greatly assisted the Board in the performance of their duties and made those duties pleasant ones. Asking for a continuance of the same to our successors, we respectfully submit this report for your inspection.

CHARLES A. PRESTON,  
ANNA J. BALCH,  
WILLIAM R. THOMPSON,  
Board of Education.

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## ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE.

### No. 1 SCHOOL.

#### *Spring.*

Daniel Maynard

Eva Greene

#### *Fall.*

Daniel Maynard

Willie Hardy

Arthur Greene

Albro Balch

Edith Greene

Eva Greene

#### *Winter.*

Arthur Greene

Eva Greene

Stella Stacy

### No. 2 SCHOOL.

#### *Spring.*

Eugene Blood

#### *Fall.*

Eva Keyes

Eugene Blood

Waldo Blood

Oscar Blood

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No. 3 SCHOOL.  
*Spring—Fall—Winter.*  
None

No. 4 SCHOOL.

*Spring.*

Mabel Newell	Mary Mansfield	Annie Coyle
	Ernest Newell	

*Fall.*

Mary Mansfield	Nellie Mansfield	Waldo Newell
Gracie Newell	Myron Wheeler	Arthur Wheeler

*Winter.*

Mabel Newell	Waldo Newell	Bertie Porter
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No. 5 SCHOOL.

*Spring.*

Elsie Woodward	Anna Woodward
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*Fall.*

Elsie Woodward

*Winter.*

Elsie Woodward	Anna Woodward	Lewis Nutting
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No. 8 SCHOOL.

*Spring.*

Genie Rolf	Blanche White
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*Fall.*

Bertha Fitts	Gracie Fitts
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*Winter—No school*

No. 11 SCHOOL.

*Spring.*

Effie Prichard	Lena Prichard	Edith Seward
Willie Seward	Georgie Pratt	

*Fall.*

Effie Prichard

Edith Seward  
Georgie Pratt

Willie Seward

*Winter.*

Arthur Robbins

No. 12 SCHOOL.

*Spring.*Eddie Moore  
John HardingJohn Moore  
Willie SargentHenry Fournier  
Edine Dube*Fall.*

Eddie Moore

John Moore  
Ora Bruno

Lizzie Bruno

*Winter.*

Eddie Moore

## FOR TWO TERMS.

Daniel Maynard

Arthur Greene

Waldo Blood

Mabel Newell

Anna Woodward

Mary Mansfield

Effie Prichard

Edith Seward

Willie Seward

Georgie Pratt

John Moore

## FOR THE YEAR.

Eva Greene

Elsie Woodward  
Eddie Moore

Eugene Blood

# STATISTICAL TABLE.

No. of School	TEACHERS		Wages per Mo.											Book-Keeping
	Terms	No. of Weeks		No. of Pupils	Reading	Spelling	Pennmanship	Arithmetic	Geography	Grammar	History	Composition	Physiology	
1	1 10	L. Maud Wanamaker	\$30	26	26	26	26	20	16	14	3	15	1	
	2 10	Abbie L. Balch	30	24	24	24	24	17	17	11	5	9	1	2
	3 10	Abbie L. Balch	30	25	25	25	25	20	16	12	8	13	2	2
2	1 10	Abbie L. Balch	24	11	11	11	11	8	8	2	3	5	4	
	2 7	Goldie E. Balcom	24	14	14	12	12	12	12	4	6	9	3	1
	3 10	Henry G. Sargent	24	11	11	11	12	9	7	6	5	9	2	
3	1 10	Henry G. Sargent	24	12	12	12	11	12	11	9	3		5	2
	2 10	Henry G. Sargent	24	13	13	11	11	11	11	5			2	2
	3 10	Dora M. Taylor	20	12	12	12	10	10	10	6			1	1
4	1 10	Hattie A. Stiles	28	20	20	20	19	9	8	7	2	9		2
	2 10	Hattie A. Stiles	28	21	21	21	21	12	11	5	3	7	2	3
	3 10	Hattie A. Stiles	28	13	13	13	12	12	12	4	4	10	1	6
5	1 10	Mabel L. Thayer	28	18	18	18	14	10	3	2	2	10		1
	2 10	Carrie E. Lowe	24	18	18	18	14	10	8	2	9	2	1	2
	3 10	John S. Cummings	24	11	11	11	7	7	2			1		
8	1 11	Goldie E. Balcom	24	5	5	5	5	5	5	2	5	5	2	
	2 10	Fannie M. Cox	30	8	8	8	7	6	3	4	1	5	1	1
11	1 10	Kate M. Bucknam	28	25	25	25	25	7	4	3				
	2 10	Mabel E. Savage	24	23	23	23	22	8	2	3	2	3	1	
	3 10	Mabel E. Savage	26	18	18	18	18	15	6	4	4	4	1	2
12	1 10	Charles A. Preston	32	41	41	41	20	17	8	7	1	7	5	2
	2 10	Charles A. Preston	32	36	36	36	21	10	10	6		6	3	
	3 10	Charles A. Preston	32	28	28	28	23	13	11	7		7	3	

## FINANCIAL ACCOUNT.

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### *Paid for Instruction.*

L. Maud Wanamaker	No. 1	\$75 00
Abbie L. Balch	" 1 and 2	210 00
Goldie E. Balcom	" 2 " 8	108 00
Henry G. Sargent	" 2 " 3	180 00
Dora M. Taylor	" 3	50 00
Hattie A. Stiles	" 4	210 00
Mabel L. Thayer	" 5	70 00
Carrie E. Lowe	" 5	60 00
John S. Cummings	" 5	60 00
Fannie M. Cox	" 8	75 00
Kate M. Bucknam	" 11	70 00
Mabel E. Savage	" 11	125 00
Charles A. Preston	" 12	240 00
Balance due M. L. Lovejoy	" 4	22 50

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\$1,555 50

### *Fuel and Work on Same.*

W. R. Thompson, wood	\$70 00
Joseph Blakey, wood and preparing	14 00
C. A. Preston, work on wood and kindlings	5 03
W. E. Preston, " " "	4 12
W. H. Pratt, " " "	4 00
A. Fletcher, " " "	1 00



A. Blood, kindling	\$0 20
Carrie Annable, kindling	50
Charlie Wheeler, " "	50
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	\$99 35

*Salary of School Board.*

Charles A. Preston	\$40 00
Anna J. Balch	30 00
William R. Thompson	30 00
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	\$100 00

*Care of Houses.*

Albro Balch	No. 1	\$6 50
Edith Greene	" 1	1 50
Arthur Greene	" 1	90
Charlie Blood	" 1	60
Carrie Annable	" 2	2 00
Abbie Balch	" 2	1 50
Goldie Balcom	" 2 and 8	2 70
Henry Sargent	" 3	3 00
Charlie Wheeler	" 3	2 00
Waldo Newell	" 4	2 50
Arthur Wheeler,	" 4	2 00
Ernest Newell,	" 4	2 00
John Cummings,	" 5	2 50
Carrie Lowe,	" 5	2 00
Mabel Thayer,	" 5	2 00
Scholars,	" 8	1 00
Alice Tarbell,	" 11	4 00
Willie Newell,	" 11	2 50
C. A. Preston,	" 12	9 50
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		\$50 70

*Labor, Supplies and Repairs.*

F. W. Jones, labor	\$12 00
Joseph Blakey, "	25
W. R. Thompson, labor	3 00
H. A. Stiles, "	50
H. S. Lecourt, "	10
Mrs. J. Wilkinson, "	50
A. B. Lawrence, supplies	1 19
C. L. Tarbell, "	58
W. L. Phelps, "	20
O. D. Prescott, "	66
J. S. Taylor, "	10
J. L. Hammett, "	1 80
Eaton's store, Fitchburg, supplies	50
A. N. Townsend, repairs	1 55
Lyman Chandler, labor and supplies	18
Simon Rolf, labor, supplies and repairs	4 75
C. A. Preston, " " " "	13 30
C. R. Fletcher, " " " "	2 71
Brooks & Davis' Express	90
Greenville School Board, tuition	2 00
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	\$46 77

*Summary—Receipts.*

Balance last report	\$82 44
Wages held in trust	22 50
Rec'd town appropriation	1,500 00
literary fund	198 75
school, "	81 09
Greenville School Board, tuition	4 00
sale of books and sundries	7 37
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	\$1,896 15

*Expenditures.*

Paid for instruction	\$1,555 50
fuel and preparing	99 35
care of houses	50 70
labor, supplies, etc.	46 77
school board	100 00
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	\$1,852 32
Balance in treasury	43 83
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	\$1,896 15

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES A. PRESTON,

Treasurer of School Board.

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### REPORT OF THE AUDITORS.

The auditors appointed to examine the accounts of the school board have attended to their duty and find the accounts correctly cast and properly vouched.

The financial condition of the district is as follows:

Balance in hands of school board	\$43 83
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JOHN PRESTON,  
JOSEPH A. WHEELER,  
CHARLES L. TARBELL,

Auditors.









